

Consumer Awareness Workshop

Mayor — Mike Ebert

In just a few weeks, the city of Canal Winchester will be hosting an event that everyone should be attending. **This event is a Consumer Awareness Workshop scheduled for February 28th from 6:30-8:00pm** at the Community Center located at 22 S. Trine St. The workshop will focus on consumer protection and fraud prevention (including tips for identifying tax & imposter scams, job opportunity scams, phishing scams, and others). A representative from the Ohio Attorney General's Office will present the important program. The Fairfield County Sheriff's Office will also be on-site to answer your questions. If you have ever had that phone call or a knock on the door from someone who just did not sound or look right, this is the event for you! For more details about this and other city events, visit our website at www.canalwinchesterohio.gov. Working together, we can help identify and stop fraud.

Community Education Series
CONSUMER AWARENESS WORKSHOP

Thank you for visiting us at Christmas in the Village!

Events & Communications Coordinator — Amanda Lemke

This year's *Christmas in the Village* Celebration was full of amazement! Thousands joined us downtown to visit Santa Claus and take part in the many other attractions. Kids and parents alike enjoyed trolley rides, ice sculpting, gingerbread characters, a visit from Santa's reindeer, and so much more during *Christmas in the Village* on December 1st and 2nd! To view photos, [click here](#).

Our beloved storybook Christmas celebration wouldn't be possible without the help of local organizations and individuals, including: Destination: Canal Winchester, Huntington Bank, Chase Bank, CW Labor Day Pageant Court, Kelly Abbott & the "A" Team—HER Realtors, Canal Winchester High School Choir, Winchester Chimes, The Pete Stebelton Family, Larry & Jan Dowler, John Gust, Bill Yapple, Jill Amos, Canal Winchester High School Art Club, Megan Bell & the Bell Real Estate Group—HER Realtors, the Brockstrong Foundation, Madison Township Fire Department, Fairfield County Sheriff's Office, Rise Realty, Canal Winchester Human Services, Canal Winchester Senior Citizens Club, Canal Winchester Historical Society, Canal Winchester's Division of Streets, Mayor Mike Ebert, Councilman Mike Walker, Santa Timothy, Goddard School, Primrose School, Dill's Greenhouse, and many other donors and volunteers. Thank you.

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MEETINGS

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Frances Steube
COMMUNITY CENTER
Healthy Community Series

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Call 614-837-8276 for details

Immunization Clinic—Jan 19

Franklin County Public Health

Vision Clinic—Jan 19

Canal Winchester Lions Club

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*For programming information, contact
Linda Tennison, Community Ctr. Coordinator

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CANAL WINCHESTER
JANUARY

Happy New Year

City offices CLOSED

Jan 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

City offices CLOSED

Jan 15

Sr. Citizen Activities

Community / Senior Center (22 S. Trine)
Weekly & Monthly — Euchre, Bingo,
Lunch, Trips, Quilting, Exercise, Education

Urban Coyotes

Director of Public Service —Matt Peoples

As winter arrived, several residents reported seeing coyotes near their property boundaries. According to the *Urban Coyote Initiative*, if you encounter a coyote, there are some simple steps you can take to deter coyotes from your property and pets.

- Do not let your pet outside alone, especially at night.
- Do not keep pet food outside.
- Haze coyotes every time you see them, regardless of if you have a pet with you (unless it is during pupping season).
- Avoid having any attractants in your yard, which means picking up fallen fruit from trees, cleaning the BBQ grill, securing lids on trash cans, covering your compost piles, and removing anything else that might be a food, water, or shelter source for coyotes. For more information, visit urbancoyoteinitiative.com.

Source: <https://urbancoyoteinitiative.com/what-to-do-if-you-encounter-a-coyote-while-walking-your-dog/>

Healthy Senior Citizens

Community Center Coordinator —Linda Tennison

The Frances Steube Community Center offers a variety of health and wellness programs for our senior citizens, as well as some that are open to all ages!

Anyone interested in balance, wellness, and fitness can join us for hatha yoga classes each Thursday from 11am to noon.

A donation of at least a \$1 is suggested, to benefit Canal Winchester Human Services' Community Food Pantry. Because donations support our local pantry, benefits go full circle to our residents.

Our seniors can regularly take advantage of other services as well, such as blood pressure and glucose checks, foot care, massage, and more.

At the beginning of each flu season, we host a senior citizens flu shot clinic, helping keep those in the senior population protected. For our younger friends, Franklin County Health Department hosts a monthly immunization clinic and the CW Lions club offers a popular vision clinic.

Throughout the year, we also offer educational classes on varied health topics through our partnerships with the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging, the Ohio Department of Aging, Ohio State University, and others. Visit the [Community Center page](#) on the city's website for more information about our programs and services.



Healthy Staff Members

Human Resources Coordinator —Nancy Stir

One of the most commonly made New Years Resolutions is to adopt healthier habits. At the City of Canal Winchester, we believe that a healthy workforce is a productive workforce.

Over the last few years, we have developed and hosted a successful wellness program for our employees. The program encourages staff members to adopt healthy habits and supports employees and their families in making healthy choices in their work and home lives. Employees may take

advantage of fitness-focused activities, lunch & learn events, online webinars, and other resources. We extend a special thank you to our own Shannon Thomas (Public Service Dept.) for helping establish and develop our wellness program. Our staff wishes everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Healthy Safety Officers

Fairfield County Sheriff's Office—Sergeant Forrest Cassell

Although deputies are not required to work out per our contract, it is highly encouraged. Members of the county's SWAT team, however, are required to work out and are tested on their fitness annually. Generally, approximately 85 percent of Fairfield County deputies work out at the gym provided by the Sheriff's Office.